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## ORANGE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

P.O. BOX 95, ORANGE, CALIF. 92668

April 1983

### \*\*\*\*\*APRIL'S PROGRAM\*\*\*\*\*

Have you ever driven past a "fender bender" or a serious accident on the Freeway, and wondered what you could do to help???? If you have put your mind at ease because our guest speaker is going to be a representative of the California Highway Patrol..... He's going to tell us what to do and don't do when reporting an accident. While nobody likes to think of anything like this, it's nice to know you can handle it with confidence because you know what to do.....

### \*\*\*\*\*UPCOMING PROGRAMS\*\*\*\*\*

Got any ideas????? We're trying to make our meetings and programs as interesting as possible. If you have any suggestions please don't keep them a secret, let us know your desires. Programs not necessarily about radio. Give any suggestions you might have to Al, KA6IIJ and he'll see what he can do.....

### \*\*\*\*\*THE PREZ SEZ\*\*\*\*\*

Had a real good turnout for Wayne's talk on computers. Those of you who passed up the "Pizza Bust" sure missed a bunch of real good food and fellowship. From the membership roster it looks like the club is really taking off this year. Let's all try to get just one new member to join this year. Field Day is fast approaching, so get your name in so we know how we stack up on operators and gear for the "Big Day"..... Al - W6IBR

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### Meetings:

April 15 1983, 7:30 PM

Mercury Savings & Loan  
1095 Irvine Blvd.  
Tustin, CA.

### Club Nets:

Day	Time	Band	Mode	Freq.
Tuesday	7:00 PM	10m	SSB	28.775
Wednesday	8:00 PM	15m	SSB	21.375
Wednesday	9:00 PM	2m	FM	146.55

Look for W6ZE as net control.

### Club Breakfast:

Time: 8:00 AM  
Date: First Saturday of the month.

Location: CookBook Restaurant  
(17'th St. & 55 Freeway)  
17329 17'th St.  
Tustin, CA.



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March 25, 1983

TO: All ARRL League Officials and Amateur Radio Club Newsletter Publishers within Orange County

FROM: Ralph Swanson and Fried Heyn; Orange County Representatives to the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee (LAOOC).

SUBJECT: Amateur Radio Participation in the 1984 Olympiad.

This letter is to disseminate information which will hopefully be of interest to the various ARRL groups such as ARES, RACES and the various Amateur Radio Clubs within Orange County. It should be noted that NO recruiting of volunteers is to be done at this time with the possible exception of establishing "Team Captains" as defined by the LAOOC. "Team Captains" will be a select group of leadership individuals whose primary purpose will be to obtain the manpower requirements needed to fulfill the communications tasks of the various events within the county. It is suggested that the various groups that wish to participate, select a representative for that position. That person will work closely with the LAOOC counterpart starting in January 1984 until the close of the Games, August 1984. The name, address, and telephone number of that/those individual(s) should be submitted to myself or Fried Heyn no later than December 1, 1983.

The following is a synopsis of the discussion that ensued at the last meeting held on March 3, 1983 between the LAOOC and the Amateur Radio Olympic Communications Committee:

1. The Games of the XXIII Olympiad will be held from July 28, 1984 to August 12, 1984.
2. Olympic Villages - To be located at the following locations:  
University of Southern California  
University of California at Los Angeles  
University of California at Santa Barbara

There will be Amateur Radio Stations located at each Village. They will be near the telephone message centers, the so-called "International Centers". Concern was expressed regarding the installation of large antennas at the villages and will not be allowed. Recommendations were made for the use of VHF/UHF from

the village sites to remotes and subsequently to HF stations. Satellite communications would be considered via the Phase 3B OSCAR if technical expertise were available. Credentials for operators at the villages will require extensive background investigations through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Since French and English are the official languages of the Olympics, operators manning the village stations should be fluent in both. The goal is at least one French speaking operator on duty whenever a station is in operation. Other languages desired are Spanish, Arabic, and German. The Olympic villages will be open two weeks prior to the start of the Games.

3. Out-of-Stadium Events - There will be a significant role for Amateurs in the out-of-stadium events. These are basically one-time events and almost all occur on weekends. This means short-term help as opposed to several days in a row for the same person for in-stadium events. Functions to be performed include Result reporting at mile markers, support of medical teams, crowd control, etc. Comments on specific out-of-stadium events were;
  - A. Yachting - Support will be needed for the existing team through Dr. Warren Bradley.
  - B. Marathon - Men's event one weekend, women's event the following weekend. Course starting in West L.A./Santa Monica area.
  - C. Cycling Road Races - Locations are in Mission Viejo and on a portion of the 91 Freeway.
  - D. Equestrian Speed and Endurance - At Fairbanks Ranch in San Diego. Possibly will be relocated to Orange County.
  - E. Canoeing and Rowing - Located at Lake Casitas (Santa Barbara jurisdiction). A radio link requested to Olympic village at UCSB.
  - F. Pentathlon - Orange County event. Will include 600 meter riding, Fencing, Pistol-shooting at 25 meters, 300 meter free-style swimming, and 4000 meter footrace to name but a few.
  - G. Track and Field - Besides the Marathon there will be 20 kilometer and 50 kilometer race walks.
4. Transport to and from Venues - This will be another significant role for Amateurs. The Games will require approximately 800 buses up to 16 hours per day, using L.A. School District and ARA vehicles. Each will have a radio with five channels available, but it is expected that these frequencies will be congested.
5. Training Sites - There will be 56 training sites planned at local High Schools in all three counties, L.A., Orange, and Santa Barbara. No special telephone installations are planned so Amateur links to the villages will be necessary.

The Management Approach was agreed upon by both groups as the best method of organization. This is supported by the idea of Amateur Radio "Team Captains" working directly with their LAOOC counterparts.

"Team Captains" will be expected to devote about one evening per week to Olympic preparations starting in January of 1984. They must be available throughout the period of service to be provided which will be well over a month for the Olympic Village stations.

This concludes this report on Olympic activities. As more information is released, it will be reported to you, if you desire it, with follow up letters such as this. If any group does not desire future reports, please let me know and your group will be removed from mailings. If you are interested in this information, you will continue to receive it. Please feel free to edit these letters to suit your needs if you elect to publish it in your Club's or group's newsletter. Of course, it goes without saying, that publicity is going to be essential to stimulate interest among the Amateur community in order to obtain a good response in the near future.

Thank you and 73

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\*\*\*\*\*MINUTES\*\*\*\*\*

April Board Meeting - 4/10/83

Meeting was called to order by Al-W6IBR at 3:45 PM. Present were: Al-W6IBR, Al-KA6IIJ, Ken-W6HHC, Mac-W6MIL, Frank-WA6VKZ, Keith-WB6LAR, and Bob-KD6XO.

Board decided to use commercial printing for the April issue of "RF", due to the tight printing schedule.

Ken-W6HHC agreed to issue the letter for the Field Day site.

Al-KA6IIJ reported that the program for:

May would be presented by the Telephone Co. on TECHNOLOGY  
June would include a review of past Field Days, by Ken-W6HHC

Al-W6IBR announced that the FCC has requested that each local radio club submit ten questions for the Extra and Advanced Class License Test as part of the "volunteer program".

Field Day chairman, Frank-WA6VKZ, announced the following status of Field Day captains:

75m and 80m -- Oscar-KA6GJI  
40 mtr -- Al-W6IBR  
20 mtr -- Jerry-KB6MF  
15 mtr -- Don-W6OOH  
10 mtr -- Bob-KD6XD  
6 mtr -- Terry-WB6IHZ  
2 mtr -- (needs captain), Oscar-KA6GJI, Al-KA6IIJ

The Field Day chairman reported the site will be MCAS (H), Santa Ana this year.

Al-W6IBR is looking for volunteers for a Licensing Committee (28th March meeting). Contact Al-W6IBR for further information.

Fried-WA6WZO announced new ARRL Op Manual is available. He brought a limited supply to the meeting.

Frank-WA6VKZ motioned to spend the amount of \$133 for the remainder of yearly liability insurance. Al-KA6IIJ seconded, passed. Al-W6IBR promised to check for lower insurance.

Wayne Overbeck-N6NB presented a program on Computers and HAM Radio. The computers he demonstrated were Northstar Horizon, Vic-64, Apple IIE, Apple II+, and TRS-80.

Visitors were introduced. Fifty-two visitors and members were present.

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## Repeaters — An Eavesdropper's Paradise

At a backyard ham picnic, a man reminded me that we had met before. "You gave the talk at the Dallas Amateur Radio Club a couple of years ago about security. About not talking so much on the repeaters concerning our personal lives. I still remember the things you said." Goodness. The talk was two years ago, and this fellow remembered what I said. That's better than a lot of preachers, whose sermons may not linger past the final hymn. "Maybe you ought to write an article for QST," he continued. Not a bad idea.

I have spent a major portion of my adult life as a U.S. Treasury agent, a CIA agent, and a writer and lecturer to citizen and police groups on the subject of security. I am more sensitive than most about locking my car and my house, and watching what I say concerning my personal comings and goings. While you may never share my total outlook, some of my observations should cause you to stop and think about some of the things you say on your local repeater.

Because repeater activity is usually confined to talking to the same friends — to the point that we recognize each other's voices — we tend to forget how many eavesdroppers there are. With all the scanners, portable radios that tune the VHF bands, ham rigs sold at flea markets, etc., there is a vast audience out there for your casual remarks. Couple that with the fact that you are listed in the *Callbook*, and possibly in a local ham directory, and you are inviting problems if you talk indiscriminately.

I let my ham license expire while I was in the CIA. Getting on the air and talking about my work was not part of their master plan for me. When I returned to civilian life in Dallas, I started studying for my ticket, and bought a 2-meter rig. This was my first exposure to modern ham repeaters. I couldn't believe what I heard.

I made some profiles of people and families I heard on the repeaters and phone patches. I learned the names and addresses and phone numbers of the husbands' and wives' employers, their home addresses and phone numbers, the names and ages and the schools attended by their children. Also divulged were long lists of personal possessions, their vacation plans (with dates and places), the nights they would be out for dinner or a show, and even when they would return home. Some folks told who was left at home (elderly parent, child, babysitter), and where they left the spare key to the house. On and on it went.

I also heard discussions of what kind of medications people were taking, the kind of booze they drank and the general status of marriages. "Love you a bunch," or the irate XYL who answered the phone patch call with "You've been talking to Mary Jane!"

"How'd you know?"

"Never mind how I know."

"Can't we talk about this later?"

Is any of this the business of a stranger? Would you go on the local a-m radio station and talk about these personal matters? It's little wonder that you hear so many hams remark, "Well, I don't talk on the repeater much, but I listen a lot." I should think so. It's incredible what you hear.

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*You may be placing your security, or your family's security, in jeopardy by talking indiscriminately on a local repeater.*

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"Well, I'm just about to get on the plane. See you all in a week. KH6IO clear." Each time I hear something like that coming into a repeater from the airport, I cringe. Anyone listening now knows that you have gone on a trip and won't be back for a week. I don't have to draw a picture for you to understand the implications of the wrong person having that information. I make it a practice never to talk about a trip as I leave town. Anyone who really needs to know that you are leaving already knows. Don't tell the whole world. Wait until you've returned, and then get on the air to announce your triumphant return. Never mind that the first response may be, "Oh, You been out of town?" Your dog probably missed you.

Then, there's the phone patch. Wonderful gadget. Lots of fun. But don't turn it into a daytime soap opera with revelations of your personal life.

Every city seems to have a bachelor who asks

directions over the phone patch for every new YL he is dating. "It's apartment 212, upstairs on the right. My blue 280Z is parked just under my bedroom window." Most likely, W5LOVER is trying to impress everyone on the repeater that he has a new girlfriend (any girlfriend!). I'm sure she would be upset if she realized he had just broadcast her location to all those listening. And now that Touch Tone decoders are common, it's easy to get the phone number, too. Bad news.

Some things overheard recently on a local phone patch were: "If I go out before you get here, I'll leave the house open." And a guy talking on the patch to his YL around midnight, both agreeing that she will spend the night alone at her place. The next day the same guy was talking with her again on the patch, arranging for her to spend the night at his place. Wouldn't she be surprised to come home the next morning and find her apartment ransacked. I wouldn't.

Many times we use a repeater when direct communications would do the job. I make it a practice to use a portable transceiver on low-power simplex whenever I am giving final directions to my place. If you must talk about your personal life, at least limit the audience as much as you can. And don't do your fellow hams a disservice by talking to third parties about your friends' plans for evening outings or vacations.

Earlier, I mentioned *Callbook* listings and local ham directories. Think about listing a "mailing address" with the *Callbook* and the FCC that is different from your home address. It's not easy for some to do this, but it seems worthwhile.

You may think I'm being unrealistic and there is little left for you to talk about. Not really. Simply use common sense. Ask yourself, "Is this something I want a complete stranger to hear?"

The concept of security is harder to sell than a 75-meter rhombic to an aeronautical mobile operator. A majority of customers for security products has already been victimized. Don't assume that it always happens to other people, or wait until something happens to you before you become conscious of your own security. Remember: Our broadcasts don't have commercials. You'd be surprised what a crowd that can draw. Think before you punch that mike button. Someone may just be waiting for you to supply that last piece of the puzzle.

— Richard C. Rhodes, KH6IO, Dallas, Texas

# FIRST CLASS

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ORANGE CO. AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

## MEETING INFO

### Upcoming Dates:

April 15th

May 20th --- 3rd Friday of each month

June 17th

7:30 PM Sharp

### Meeting Location:

Mercury Savings & Loan  
1095 Irvine Blvd.  
Tustin, Ca.  
(1 Block East of Newport Ave.)

## NET INFO

15 Meter SSB Net, each Wednesday @ 2000 Hours PST on 21.375 MHz.  
2 Meter FM Net, every Wednesday @ 2100 Hours PST on 146.55 MHz simplex.  
Listen for W6ZE Net Control.

Anyone interested in becoming Net Control for a CW (5-15 WPM) net contact Bob, AF6C. Net should be keyed for Novices.

## BREAKFAST INFO

8:00 AM

The Club Breakfast is held the first Saturday of each month at:  
The Cook Book Restaurant, 17th & Yorba in Santa Ana, just east  
of the Newport Fwy. (Southeast corner behind the Union station).

### Upcoming dates:

May 7th

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